

**REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Application Number: 09/838,809

Confirmation Number: 3526

Filing Date: April 20, 2001

First Named Inventor: Grant E. DUBOIS

Group Art Unit: 1761

Examiner: Carolyn A. PADEN

Attorney Docket Number: 07738.0147-00000

Attorney Customer Number: 22,852

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, application must request non-entry of such amendment.**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief of Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
- ii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed:
- i. ☒ Submission Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-mentioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

- a. ☒ The filing fee is calculated as follows:
- i. ☒ \$790.00 RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Petition for a three (3) month extension of time, including the fee of \$1020.00
- iii. ☐ Other:
- b. The amount due of \$1,810.00 has been paid by credit card using the EFS-RAM system.
- c. ☒ The Commissioner is authorized to grant any necessary extensions of time, and to charge any deficiencies in the above fees, or credit any overpayments, to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Signature of Applicant, Attorney, or Agent Required

Name: Lori-Ann Johnson

Reg. No.: 34,498

Signature:

by Robert Slanby #55,830

Date: September 22, 2006